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Restorationists

I am happy to give you all the
information in my power, in answer to
your inquiry of Nov. 21st - which I am
now sending you.

PHLEPS.
MSS.

Denomination very small; but one Association
called "The Massachusetts Association of Universal Restoration"

Names	Residence	Principles	Connection	Activity
Paul Dean	Boston	Anti-Abolitionist, probably Comtd. Col. Society	inactive	
Charles Hudson	Westminster	opposed to Slavery unconnected	inactive	
William Morse	Marlborough	Anti Abolitionist	do	some
Edwin M. Stone	N. Beverly	Anti Abolitionist uncertain	do	
D. S. Whitney	Middlesex Village	Anti Abo—	do	
W. J. A. Pitman	Milton Railway	wavering	unconnected	do
Manson St. Clair	Ipswich	Staunch Abolitionist Member A.S.C.Y. being	do	
David Richardson	Berlin	do. do.	do	
Geo. W. Stacy	Carlisle	do. do.	do	
Emmons Partridge	Walpole	do. do.	do.	
Wm H. Fish	Millville	do. do.	do.	ready for action
Lester T. Temple	S. Wilbraham	do. do.	do.	- active
John Ballou	Mendon	do. do.	do.	does something
David Pickering	Buffalo N.Y.	Anti Abolitionist unconnected	inactive	
Eugene Maynard	Ambler N.J.	Moderate Abolition	do.	rather inactive
Nathaniel Knight	Tremont, Ill.	do. do.	Member A.S.C.Y. do. do	
Geo. Campbell	Unknown, Indiana. Unknown	9 Abolitionists		
		5 Anti Abolition		
		2 Between 1 Unknown		

Opposition from a portion of the laity,
 & the exceeding reproach attached to the name
 abolitionist, has undoubtedly kept back
 some exertion - on the part of those who
 are avowed Abolitionists, as well as deterred
 some, who are not, from moving at
 all. The flesh is weaker than the spirit,
 & the spirit more too strong. [In our
 little denomination the Ministers are undoubtedly
 ahead of the people, though a goodly portion
 of our laity are coming up nobly to the
 work. If the ministers would do their duty,
 a majority of the people, the very best of them,
 would stand right. But the anti abolitionism
 of some of the ministers goes very far to
 strengthen the hands of error & wickedness.
 One clerical Antiabolitionist might move in the
 scale of the adversary than many laymen.]
 The Abolition question will probably rend our societies
 & overturn the existing state of things - But God
 grant that good may grow out of it. It
 is a "refugee free & safe" to us.

Rev. A. J. Phelps

Ans. Ballou